

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 3137
(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 6th August 2026)

**DEVELOPMENT OF AVIATION INFRASTRUCTURE UNDER UDAN
SCHEME**

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

be pleased to state:-

- (a) the number of airports, heliports and water aerodromes identified, sanctioned and operationalised under the UDAN Scheme, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the number of unserved and underserved routes made operational during the last three years;
- (c) the details of the financial assistance and incentives provided to airlines under the scheme during the said period, State/UT-wise; and
- (d) whether any proposals have been approved under the said Scheme for induction of indigenous aircraft and helicopters and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION (Shri Murlidhar Mohol)

- (a) Under the UDAN scheme, 95 airports, including 17 heliports and 2 water aerodromes, have been developed and operationalised across the country.
- (b) 188 RCS routes have been made operational during the last three financial years under the UDAN scheme.
- (c) The details of Viability Gap Funding (VGF) disbursed to the airlines under the UDAN scheme, State/Union Territory wise is at Annexure.
- (d) Under the next phase of the UDAN scheme, the Union Cabinet has approved the procurement of 2 HAL Dhruv Helicopters and 2 HAL Dornier aircraft for regional and difficult-terrain operations to address the shortage of small aircraft and helicopters needed for regional connectivity and support the Atmanirbhar Bharat initiative.

Annexure

VGF disbursed to Selected Airline Operators (SAOs) against the routes connected to the following State/UTs as on 30.06.2026	
Name of the States / UT	Amount (in Rs. crore)
Andhra Pradesh	142.07
Arunachal Pradesh	128.21
Assam	83.50
Bihar	39.11
Chhattisgarh	107.86
Diu	36.47
Gujarat	220.35
Haryana	0.66
Himachal Pradesh	106.20
Jharkhand	11.35
Karnataka	823.73
Kerala	103.58
Lakshadweep	54.91
Madhya Pradesh	194.08
Maharashtra	632.29
Manipur	12.84
Meghalaya	54.56
Nagaland	22.08
Odisha	216.88
Punjab	161.03
Rajasthan	282.10
Sikkim	14.61
Tamil Nadu	92.09
Uttar Pradesh	523.87
Uttarakhand	218.53
West Bengal	86.25